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HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 27.—Infuriated because she refused to elope with him, John D. Cassels, of Springfield, Mass., shot and fatally wounded Mrs. Mary Lane at her boardinghouse on the Bliss Road, Long Meadow, last evening and then drank carbolic acid.

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The crime was committed in the house of Fred Bliss, whose wife is a sister of Mrs. Lane. The Lanes had lived in Springfield for some time, but broke up housekeeping and removed to Long Meadow last December, while their new home on the Boston Road was being completed. Counsel went to the Bliss home about 6 o'clock and found Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Bliss and Mrs. Lane's

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three children, he asked Mrs. Lane to elope with him. She shouted "No," and Cassels whipped out a revolver and fired. The first shot struck Mrs. Lane in the forehead, and she sank to the floor with a groan. Advancing rapidly across the room, Cassels fired two more shots, when Mrs. Lane's woman friend, who had her, the frightened woman, caught her hands over her face, as if in an effort to protect herself from the bullets. The second time that her assailant fired, he was so close that the powder burned her hands and head.

The second bullet passed through the side of her head as she was falling to the floor and out through the back of the

The second bullet passed through the front door, struck the victim on the floor and out through the back of the head, imbedding itself in the woodwork. The bullet which struck the victim struck one of Mrs. Lane's hands. One of the bullets, supposed to have been the first, struck the victim on the forehead, length of her forehead and hands indicate the murderer was within arm's length of the victim.

While his victim lay writhing on the floor, Cussels stood for a moment and then returned to his room, to get his rifle and left the house.

Dr. McNair, the city physician in town, telephoned for help but efforts to revive Mrs. Lane proved unavailing. She died about 10 o'clock and was taken to the funeral home in town after the shooting.

An armed searching party was started to look for the murderer. He came upon him unconscious a few rods from his house. Beside him lay a bottle of carbolic acid and a small box of matches.

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He was taken from Long Meadow to the Springfield jail at 3 o'clock this morning. When told that his victim would not recover he said: "Well, I did a good job, anyhow." The revolver is a double action, hammerless .32-calibre weapon. It was encased in a shining new holster attached to an old leather belt. Cassels is an agent for Springfield sewing machine company.

Mrs. Lane appeared to be sinking rapidly this afternoon.

A JOINT-SMASHER CONVICTED.

Judge Hazen Rules Against Stark in

the Test Case.
TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 27.—Balfie Stark,

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TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 25.—Balfie Stark, tried for malicious trespassing in assisting Mrs. Nation in smashing a "joint" three days ago, has been convicted of trespass.

This was the test case in the matter of establishing whether or not "joints" have property rights under the law. Mrs. Nation and others are under bond charged with the same offense.

The offense of which Stark was convicted is a misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500, or imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both.

District Judge Hazen ruled against the defendant upon every point of law involved.

AN INVESTIGATION TO COME.

Governor Durbin Humiliated Over the Terre Haute Tragedy.

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INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 27.—Governor Durbin is much humiliated because of the mob violence at Terre Haute yesterday. He means to take action not only to bring the members of the mob to justice, but to hold the sheriff responsible for not protecting the prisoners. He feels that in the third most populous city in the State means should have been taken to protect the prisoners. "I am bringing the prisoner and he does not see how it is possible for such an act to have been committed if the sheriff and other local officers were not negligent. Speaking of the affair tonight he said:

"I have had a very thorough investigation into the affair and have already written to the sheriff to submit a detailed report of everything in connection with the affair. On the other hand, and I am fully advised as to all the circumstances, I do not care to say what I think of the sheriff."

left undone to fix the blame, and no one, neither officers nor participants in the mob, will be shielded. I feel that such

left undone to fix the blame, and no one, not officers nor participants in the mob, is being held responsible. Such acts are a disgrace to the State, and especially when they occur in a population of 100,000 people, the size of which they follow has aroused intense feeling among the people.

The representatives of the Legislature yesterday determined to raise the anti-trust issue once and for all, and see what effect it will have. A married officer of sheriff vacant as soon as a prisoner is taken from his custody and lynched.

NO ESCAPE FROM THE FLAMES.

**The Diamondville Mine Victims Man-
dular at Least Thirty-two.**

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 27.—It is now known that at least thirty-two lives were lost in the Diamondville mine holocaust Monday night, and of this number not a few were women.

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Hudson, the mine superintendent, last night gave out a partial list of the victims of the accident, confirming the names of twenty men.

With the exception of Thomas, Harry, and John, the names of the other 17 of them were Austrians. In addition to the list of names given there were five Italians and several Finlanders in the mine.

The Simpsons came to Diamond-Head, near the town of Astoria. When Mrs. Simpson learned the awful fate of her husband and her sons she was seized with convulsions and died during the night.

The conflagration is believed to have been due to the carelessness of one of the drivers in the mine in leaving a lighted candle near some waste matter. A man named Hudson discovered the fire first and he rushed back into the entries and

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The Italians, Austrians, and Philanderers are unable to understand English and did not heed the warning. The Simpsons and Iyer heard and attempted to get out and save their lives. As soon as Mr. Sneddon discovered that there was no hope of reaching the men, he ordered the fire to be blown away. In less than three minutes after the fire started, he ordered the entries in which the men were standing to be blown away. This brought the fire under control and prevented it spreading to other levels and the building being completely destroyed. It is believed that the fire has now died and today the work of taking out the bodies will be begun.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY TWENTY-EIGHTH, 1901, the lease of the fish wharf in the city of Washington will be sold by public auction for a term of one year from March 1, 1901, at 3 o'clock p. m., on B st., between 7th and 8th sts, in front of the Federal Building.

Marked, all rights or privileges granted or allowed by the laws of the corporation of Washington, relating to the catching, sale, purchase, marketing, cleaning and sale of fish in the city of Washington, and no wharf or dock shall be deemed to be a fish wharf on the day of sale, on either side of the Potomac River and Eastern branch between 21st st. east and 15th st. west. Terms: \$100.00 in advance on the day of sale, and the balance to be paid within five days from the day of sale.

By order of the Board of Commissioners of the DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:

W. ROSS, LANSING H. BEACH, Commissioners,
D. C. 20540. 218-1072.

